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Tender Closed.

11 a.m.—Government Bills received by Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department.

Auction.

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at No. 8, Cameron Terrace, Kowloon.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Orchestral Concert in City Hall.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per Purnes undelivered after noon on this date will be landed.

General Memoranda.

11.30 a.m.—Auction of Manila Cigars, at Mr. Geo. P. Lammett's Sales Rooms.

WEDNESDAY, January 11.—

9 p.m.—Meeting of the Kowloon Pigeon Club at Kowloon Hotel.

MONDAY, January 16.—

3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at the Public Works Department's Offices.

WEDNESDAY, January 18.—

11.30 a.m.—Meeting of The Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd., at the Company's Offices.

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 1905.

AFTER THE WAR.

[BY PROFESSOR E. H. PARKER.]

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THERE is nothing in the British Press to show that hostility against Russia has increased since the war broke out: on the contrary, it would seem that admiration for her bravery under great difficulties has secured for her as much of our sympathy as is compatible with the just expectations of our allies. It is hardly too much to say that every right-thinking individual who has given the subject careful attention would like to see the two gallant foes shake hands and be friends. Though the pride of Japan is at least equal to the pride of Russia, it is not the pride of Japan which would be likely to stand in the way of an honourable settlement. Probably the pride of Russia would not find so much difficulty in effecting an accommodation as in giving the necessary guarantees. At this moment (middle of November), and before serious steps are taken on both sides to prepare for next year's campaign, it is extremely likely that Japan would gladly leave Vladivostok and Saghalien alone, if only Southern Manchuria were given back to China under international guarantee: Port Arthur formally abandoned by Russia; political influence excluded from Corea. The question of policing the railway, fixing railway rates, moving Russian troops south of Hsulin, extending Russian railways through Urgan, to Kalgan, and other of less general importance would form the work of an International Commission, the first principles of which would be the preservation to China of her nineteen provinces, coupled with equality of commercial right throughout the whole of them.

There is nothing against the interests of Russia, Japan, or any other power—even China—in an arrangement of this sort. Southern Manchuria is a purely Chinese province, which never was even nominally Manchu at all until, whilst preparing for his conquest of China, the Manchu chieftain, 278 years ago, made Mukden his new capital. So far as this province had not previously been Chinese, it had been Corean. Moreover Great Britain, Japan, and America not to speak of other powers, have treaty rights, commercial and missionary interests, and sea access to this province. In Russia's own words, 'the possession of Liaotung dominates Peking and forms an undesirable preponderance of power in the hands of any foreign conqueror.' As to Korea, the genuine Manchuria of history, this should be returned to China whilst admitting Russia's special rights to be defined by international guarantee, subject to the wishes of Japan. North Manchuria, or Teitsihar, never formed even nominally a part of the new Manchu Empire of the sixteenth century until the Manchus began to contest its possession with Russia. As China has never done much for this province, which, moreover, is sparsely populated and purely an Amur river area, it might well be ceded to Russia to comfort her for her vast expenditure. Russia's special ally, France, could have nothing to object to in the arrangement. After the hornet's nest of the Boxer wars, France will probably be chary of involving herself further in the direction of southern conquests. For a century at least she will have enough to do in developing Cochin China, Annam and Tonkin on present lines. Great Britain has never shown the least inclination to secure an exclusive influence in any part of China. If Russia, as part of the international agreement, absolutely renounces all

intentions in the future to claim, under the old lease, Port Arthur, we might well consider the abandonment of the Wei-hai-wei lease; but on terms, the strictest of which should be a self-denying ordinance on the part of Germany to be coupled with the defining of all foreign rights in Shantung and the restraint of all future special German rights in Shantung and over and above those already wrung out of China by treaty.

We have more than once referred to the undoubted ascendancy of the Japanese at present throughout China. It is not confined to the mere extension of their ever-increasing trade, nor is it limited to the metropolitan area. In a Canton paper Japanese opinion on the question of foreign control of the Canton-Hankow railway insists that no foreign power should be allowed to interfere in its control. The writer does not hesitate to affirm that all foreign powers are grasping, and that they are seeking not only legitimate gain, but are taking advantage of the decrepitude of China to further their own ends. But Russia comes in, as is not unnatural, for the severest treatment from the right-handed blows of this fighter. If Japan has anything to say in the future in regard to those who shall direct and control the Canton-Hankow railway, it is obvious that foreigners will not have a look in. How far these views represent official opinion in Japan it is, of course, impossible to say, but we suspect we shall be not far wrong in connecting it with the general prevalent ascendancy of Japanese ideas in China; and we may regard it as an index of the future attitude of Japan, when as is sure to transpire, she and China, become more closely allied.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

Tenement Rates.

Tenement rates for the first quarter of 1905 are payable in advance on or before January 31. Proceedings in the Supreme Court will be taken for rates unpaid on February 23.

Inspectors of Nuisances.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed the following Inspectors of the Sanitary Board to be Inspectors of Nuisances under the Sale of Food and Drugs Ordinance, 1896:—G. W. Coysh, J. A. Bullin, H. Pearson, C. E. Frih, C. W. Ward, R. Hudson and R. Fenton.

Football.

An evenly contested and interesting association football match was played yesterday between the Royal West Kent and the Hongkong Football Club. The first half was scoreless, but in the second half, scored for the West Kents and the game resulted in a win for them by one goal to nil.

Interport Football.

Some time ago we stated that a project was on foot to send an association football team to Shanghai, and we now are informed that the proposal has been decided upon. The team, under the captaincy of Mr. W. H. Williams will leave here about Chinese New Year. The team to represent Hongkong will be selected in a day or two, and there is no doubt that a strong eleven can be obtained.

Concert at Kowloon.

A concert will be held at the Seamen's Institute, Kowloon, on Monday, January 9, commencing at 8.30 p.m. The following have kindly promised to assist:—Miss Murray Bain, Mr. F. Austin, Mr. F. O. Barlow, Mr. J. R. Boyes, Mr. G. H. Edwards, Mr. P. W. Goldring, Mr. G. Grimble, Dr. Horley, R. N., Mr. H. Koenig, Mr. W. J. L. Phillips, R. N., Mr. A. M. Stewart, Mr. H. A. Tozer.

Bank Notes in Circulation.

The following returns of the average amount of bank-notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hongkong, during December, are certified by the managers of the respective Banks:—

Banks.	Average Amount.	Specie in Reserve.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China	3,735,382	2,400,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	12,520,524	7,000,000
National Bank of China, Limited	345,462	150,000
Total	16,601,368	9,550,000

Baid Performance.

The following is the programme of music to be performed by the Band of the Royal West Kent Regiment on the Parade Ground on Monday next, from 4 to 8.30 p.m.:—

Grand March.....	Lorraine
Overture to.....	Die Zauberflote
Selection from.....	Three Little Maids
Musette.....	Papine Vivante
Idyll.....	Blumengrueter
Song.....	For all Eternity
Selection from.....	Faust
Selection from.....	Three Little Maids

While the liner *Kyushu Maru*, west-bound, was 200 miles from New York, a passenger sent a wireless message to the *Waikiki Hotel*, ordering a cab to meet him at Hoboken.

STEARNS HEADACHE CURE can be obtained from all dispensaries (quickly by post). Never be without the Cure.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

Messrs R. O. Hutchinson and D. W. Tatham have been appointed cadets in the Hongkong Civil Service.

Until a successor is appointed to the Rev. R. L. Piazzi, deceased, the Very Rev. P. de Maria, pro Vice Apostolic, has for the time being the supreme ecclesiastical jurisdiction in the Roman Catholic Church in this Colony.

A short devotional meeting will be held on Monday afternoon at 6.15 in the Lecture room of the European Y.M.C.A., Alexandra buildings, to be followed at 6 o'clock by the annual meeting of the Hongkong Christian Union. All are cordially invited.

A return of samples of brandy, gin, whisky and milk analysed by Mr. A. C. Franklin, Government Analyst, shows that out of 3 samples of brandy, 2 of gin, 13 of whisky and 10 of milk, only 2 of the milk samples were found to be adulterated. The brandy, gin and whisky were found to be pure.

A Challenge.

We understand that the Rifle Association is prepared to pit a team of ten men against any team of ten selected from the Volunteer Reserve Association. Now then, Reservists!

Extensive Opium Seizure.

One of the largest seizures of opium made for some years past is reported from Canton where a Customs officer named Landford a day or so ago discovered a large parcel of opium that was being smuggled into the city. The opium seized is valued at about \$20,000 and has been confiscated.

Naval Yard Strike Over.

The strike of fitters, which occurred at the Naval Yard on Wednesday, has now been declared off, and the coolies have resumed work. It is believed that the men, on learning the truth of the case in which their companion was imprisoned, realised that they had been duped and declined to remain out any longer.

Warrant Officers' Smoking Concert.

The Naval Warrant Officers' Club held a smoking concert on Thursday evening at Blue Buildings. The programme was an excellent one and was carried out with vim. The vice-president, Mr. Bayard, of the *Glory*, proposed the health of the visitors, and Mr. Osborne responded to the toast. The entertainment concluded at midnight after an enjoyable time had been spent.

A Canton Robbery.

The application made by the Chinese authorities for the extradition of a Chinaman named Koh Ah Ying has been granted by Mr. Hazland, the Magistrate. In support of the application evidence was given showing that on December 28, at about 8 a.m., between 50 and 60 armed men, headed by the defendant, burst into a pawn shop at Canton and pointing a revolver at the accountant demanded the keys of the safe. The accountant was then seized and a bag was being stolen. The defendant, who had obtained the keys, went upstairs and removed goods valued at \$28,000, \$4,000 in cash and \$3,600 of jewellery from the safe. The robbers then left the place and Koh Ah Ying was not heard of again until he was arrested in Hongkong some days later. A district watchman who was stationed close by is said to have gone into hiding during the robbery and only re-appeared when the robbers had left the premises.

A Wife Punished.

An example of Chinese methods of keeping order in the domestic circle has come under the notice of the police. The people in question were from the Hakka district and lived at Shaikwan. Some days ago the husband became suspicious of his wife and finding her in a house with a man of whom he was jealous seized the latter and took him up on the hillside where he was tied to a tree and severely beaten with bamboo. This punishment having been administered, the husband, with some of his friends, returned for his wife and she was dragged off home where she also was tied up and fastened to an iron stanchion in one of the rooms. The door was then locked and she was told that she would be thrown into the sea at midnight. Whether this threat would have been carried into effect or not it is difficult to say but the police hearing of what had taken place went to the house a little before 12 o'clock and effected the woman's release. Several arrests have been made and the case, on being brought up at the Magistracy this morning, was remanded.

OFFICIAL ADVICES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AT KOWLOON FROM URGENT INSTRUCTIONS.

The news station on the Kowloon Railway, where the flames spread to the storehouse where explosives are kept and the storehouse was blown up. The explosion killed six Japanese and one Korean, and injured nine Japanese and a number of natives. Nine Japanese and twenty-three Korean houses were destroyed.

RELIEF AFTER SIX YEARS.

R. M. A. Clerk, of Timberridge, N. S. W., Australia, writes: 'I wish to inform you of the wonderful benefit I have received from your valuable medicine. I suffered from a severe cough for six years and obtained no relief until I took Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. One bottle cured me and I am thankful to say that I have never had the cough since. Make any use of this letter that you like for the good of any other poor sufferers. For sale by all Dealers: W. & A. Co., Ltd., General Agents.'

BY TELEGRAPH.

[CHINA MAIL'S EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

[RECEIVED BY TELEGRAPH, VIA JAPAN.]

[RECEIVED ON JANUARY 6, AT 7.30 P.M.]

THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

THE SURRENDER OF PORT ARTHUR.

COURT MARTIAL CLAIMED FOR.

Why Was the Fortress Short of Supplies?

London, January 6.

With reference to the statement that an enquiry should be made into the reasons of the surrender of Port Arthur the *Nova Zemlya* supports the demand in the following terms:—

'Let us have a court martial by all means, then we shall discover why the fortress was not supplied with food and munitions of war.'

The enquiry would also bring to light who were the real enemies of Russia, and who were infinitely more dangerous than the Japanese.

[REUTERS'S SERVICE.]

STORSESS'S MESSAGE.

London, January 5.

General Storsess in telegraphing the formal surrender of Port Arthur to the Tsar says, 'Great Sovereign, forgive me; we have done all that was humanly possible; judge us by the merits!'

Reuter's correspondent at Tokyo wires that the Tsar has cabled General Storsess giving officers the option of parole or imprisonment.

LATER.

The Tsar has returned to St. Petersburg.

THE CAPTURE OF THE 'NIGRETIA'.

The *Nigretia* has been condemned by the Japanese Prize Court.

Admirals Togo and Kamimura in Tokyo.

Admirals Togo and Kamimura, with their suite, arrived in Tokyo on Dec. 30, says the *Koku Chronicle*, the train reaching Shinjuku at 9.30 a.m. The vicinity of the station was decorated with flags, and crowds of people, including the members of the Tokyo Municipal Council and other public bodies, assembled to welcome the heroes. A number of naval and military officers, and many ladies and gentlemen residing in Tokyo, greeted the Admirals, who subsequently drove to the Naval Department in a carriage specially sent by the Emperor, receiving en route the plaudits of enthusiastic crowds. All the houses in the city displayed flags, and fireworks were sent up in Edo Park. In the front of the Navy Department a large triumphal arch had been erected. In the Minister's chamber at the Navy Department, Admiral Baron Yamamoto greeted the Admirals, in whose honour toasts were drunk, while 'banquets' were given in honour of the Emperor and the Navy and Army. At 11.30 a.m. Admirals Togo and Kamimura proceeded to the Imperial Palace, where they were given an audience by His Majesty, to whom in the presence of Prince Arisugawa and other distinguished persons they reported on the progress of the naval campaign since the war commenced. Later Admirals Togo and Kamimura, with their staffs, the Minister for the Navy and Admiral Ito, Chief of the General Naval Staff, were entertained at dinner by His Majesty, the guests retiring from the Palace at 2.30 p.m. His Majesty sent Admiral Togo a present of fish and sake in congratulation on his safe return to Japan.

GENERAL NEWS.

It is said that President Roosevelt secured £30,000 of souvenirs at the St. Louis Exhibition.

The Baltic Fleet paid £14,700 to the Suez Canal Company, says the *Pall Mall Gazette* for passage dues.

The Young Men's Literary Room in Peking has been 'described' by an order of the Governor in Council, published in the gazette. The step has been taken in the interests of 'the public safety and welfare.'

Charge of Adultery Dismissed.

The *Yokohama Gazette* states that the charge of adultery laid in the Yokohama Chio Saibansho by Mr. S. H. Kuhn against his wife and Mr. E. S. Boyes, was rejected on Dec. 26, on the ground of lack of evidence. 'This, it will be remembered, is the sequel to the recent assault case at Yokohama, when Kuhn was sentenced to fifteen months' imprisonment for striking Boyes and causing the loss of sight of one eye.'

Disastrous Gunpowder Explosion in Korea.

A disastrous explosion of gunpowder is reported from Korea by which several Japanese lost their lives. Fire broke out at 11 o'clock on the night of the 26th at the station of some railway workers at the Kusan station on the Seoul-Yokohama Railway. The flames spread to the storehouse where explosives are kept and the storehouse was blown up. The explosion killed six Japanese and one Korean, and injured nine Japanese and a number of natives. Nine Japanese and twenty-three Korean houses were destroyed.

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[REUTERS'S SERVICE.]

THE UNITED STATES SUBSIDISING NEW MAIL ROUTES.

London, January 6.

The American Report of the *Mercantile Marine*, which has been recommended in Congress, includes subsidies for new mail routes, and measures for stimulating the American carrying trade to South Africa and the East.

REDUCTION OF THE CANAL RATES.

The *Daily Telegraph's* Cairo correspondent wires that in consequence of the proposed new canal the Suez company proposes to reduce the present charge by a franc a ton.

THE NEUTRALITY OF FRANCE.

France replying to representations from Japan, re cooling and retreating the Russian Baltic fleet in Madagascar, says there is no danger of the non-observance of neutrality and the local authorities have received strict instructions.

OPINION.

A Proposed Increased Tax.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, Jan. 5.

The depleted condition of the provincial exchequer will account in some measure for the agitation now on foot here to increase the duties on native opium.

The provincial authorities are discussing the advisability of placing this added tax on upon the first of the month. It is suggested that this increase shall be about thirteen cents on each tael. But they perceive a difficulty ahead which they don't see any means of avoiding.

Foreign opium is, as is well known, more appreciated by the Chinese than the native product, and, at present the former commands a wide sale because it is somewhat cheaper than the Indian drug. If, however, this new tax is superimposed, the difference between the native and the foreign article will not be substantial, and it is feared that, this being the case, the Chinese will cease to a great extent to buy native opium. The sale thus becoming much less, the income will not be increased, but perhaps even lessened, whilst more money will go out of the country into foreign pockets.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

A Chinaman's Mistake.

A rather good story was told in a case which came before the Court at the Magistracy this morning. It appears that a day or so ago a wealthy Chinese resident of the city complained to the police that for some nights past he had been disturbed by burglars in his room and stairs, and applied for a detective to make investigations. A Chinese detective was accordingly detailed to spend the night in the house and was on his rounds early the following morning when the owner of the house rushed in in his night attire and charged the detective with a flagitious. The detective seeing that he was mistaken for the burglar fled from the house into the street and there, as the man who had sought his protection still pursued him, he turned and effected his capture. A charge of carrying arms without a permit resulted, the Chinaman being admitted to bail of \$50. This morning he pleaded guilty to the offence and was fined \$10.

How Police Time is Lost.

There are many cases which are investigated by our police force, and which cause them no small amount of trouble and anxiety, which seldom come before the notice of the public, and a case occurred recently which demonstrated the unnecessary labour that is often thrust upon them.

Last Sunday a sampan woman, named Kwok Mai, called at the Yau Ma Tei Police Station and reported that her sampan, containing a man aged 41, her daughter-in-law aged 38, four sons, aged, 7, 13, 14, and 19 respectively and a girl aged 4, had been missing for some time. Two Chinamen, she said, hired the boat to take them to Stonecutter's Island, and she was fearful that a tragedy had occurred. In view of recent events the police allowed no time to be lost but wired to all the stations informing them of the missing sampan. The woman could not give a description of the men. After a night's hard work during which parties were out in all directions, the sampan was found at Shaikwan, much to the joy of the woman. The Chinamen who hired the boat had been landed and instead of going back to Yau Ma Tei the man in the sampan headed for Shaikwan where he had some business to perform. The negligence shown by the man in not informing the woman of his intended trip to Shaikwan was the cause of considerable work and annoyance to the police. Yet they have no remedy. The report was made and investigations had to be made. Their prompt discovery of the sampan was very creditable.

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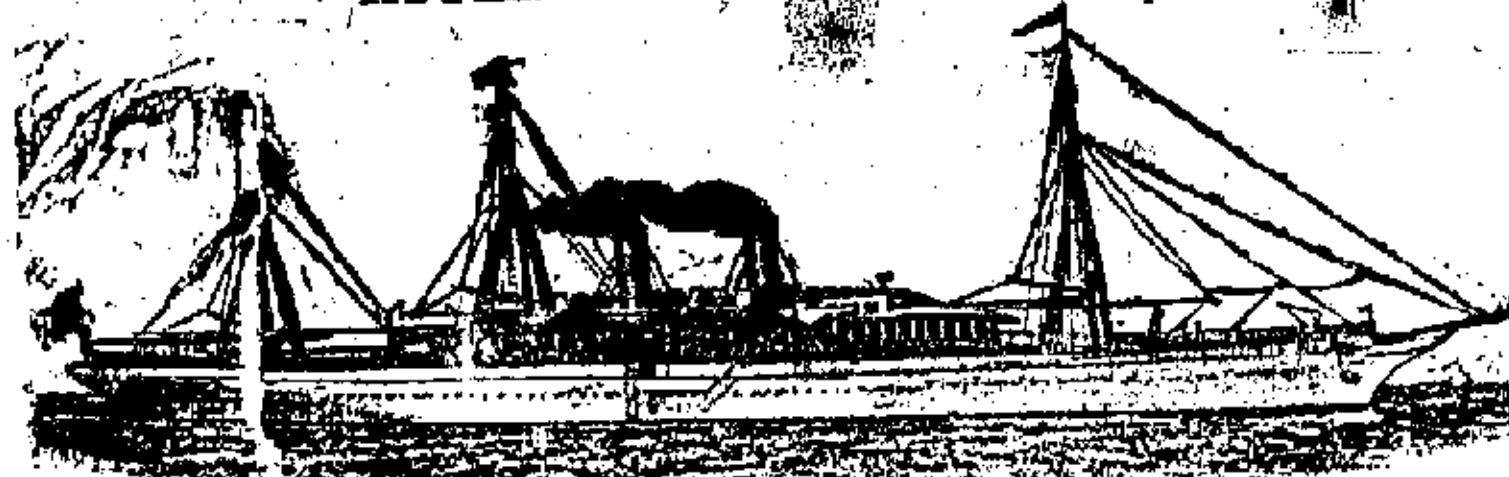
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	M. A. FRYER.....	Noon, 14th January. See Special Advertisement.

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TAMU, Via SWATOW AND AMOY.	FRITHJOF, Capt. H. A. HANSEN.	SUNDAY, 15th Jan., at Daylight.
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OUTWARDS.

GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.....AJAX.....11th January.

GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.....TYPEDUS.....24th January.

GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.....PAKING.....25th January.

GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.....IDONEUS.....26th January.

GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.....PROMETHEUS.....31st January.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR.....STEAMERS.....1905.

AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.....HYBON.....17th January.

* GNOVA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL.....HACON.....20th January.

AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.....TULAN.....23rd January.

AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.....GLAUCUS.....14th February.

* GNOVA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL.....AJAX.....20th February.

AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.....IDONEUS.....28th February.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR.....STEAMERS.....TO SAIL

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS via TYDEUS.....27th January.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, January 7, 1905.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR.....STEAMERS.....TO SAIL

SHANGHAI.....Woonsoo.....10th January.

MANILA.....TEAN.....10th January.

CEBU AND ILOILO.....KAIKONG.....11th January.

PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.....TAIWAN *.....20th January.

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ZAFIRO.....2540.....R. Rodger.....".....Jan. 21, at 10 a.m.

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Hongkong, January 7, 1905.

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S.S. ASOOT.....".....C. E. COX.

S.S. LOTHIAN.....".....J. G. WILLIAMSON.

S.S. INCH.....".....R. S. PARKER.

S.S. SIKH.....".....J. ROWLEY.

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S.S. INDRASHAMA.....".....R. P. CLAYTON.

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Hongkong, December 29, 1904.

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REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMERS.....FROM.....EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT.....WILL LEAVE FOR.....ON OR ABOUT

TOJIPANAS.....JAPAN.....Second half January.....JAVA PORTS.....Second half January.

TOJLATJAP.....JAVA PORTS.....First half January.....JAPAN, via SHANGHAI.....First half January.

TOJMAHI.....JAVA PORTS.....Second half January.....JAPAN, via SHANGHAI.....First half February.

The steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light, and have accommodation for a limited number of saloon passengers, and will take cargo to all Ports in Netherlands India on through B/L.

For particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the HEAD AGENCY.

Java-China-Japan Lijn, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

TELEPHONE No. 375, Hongkong, December 27, 1904.

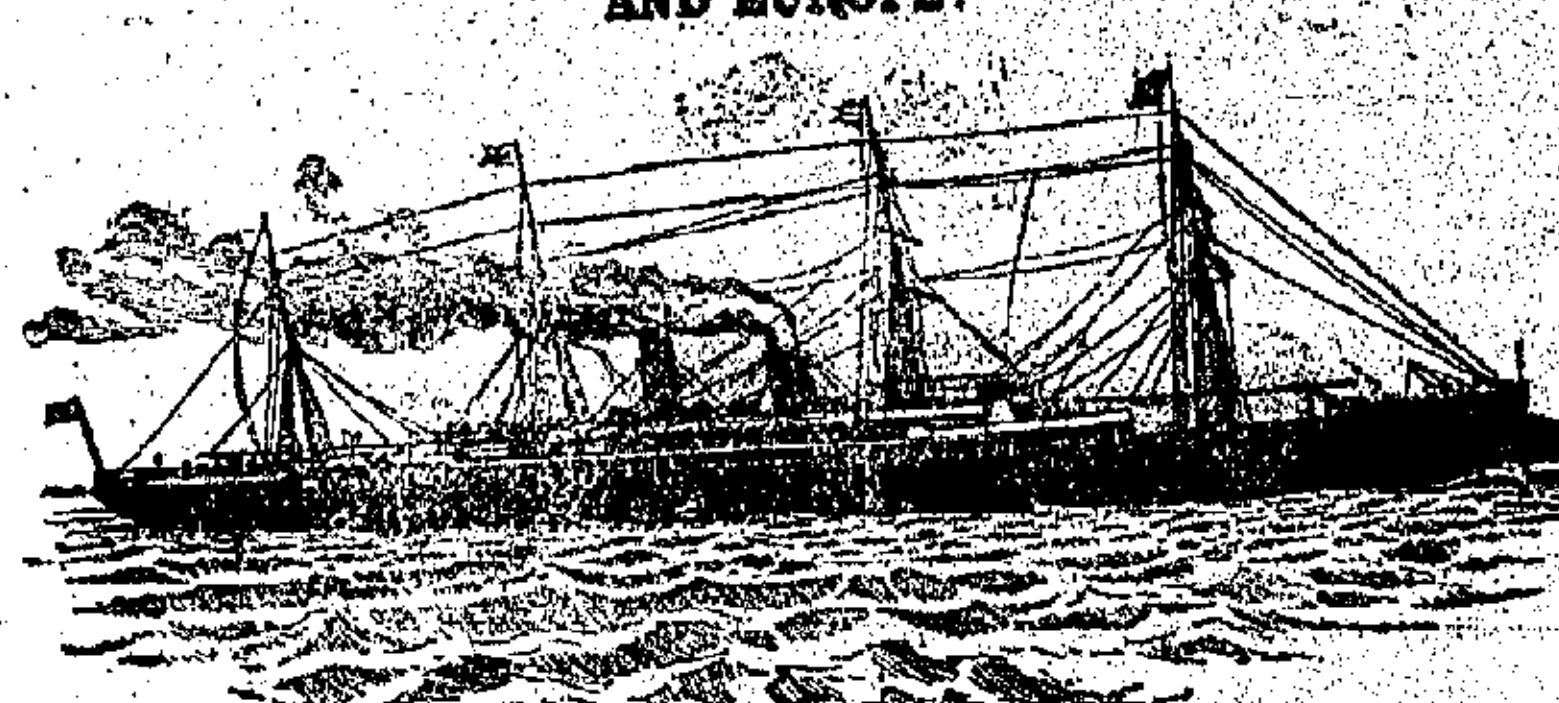
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

COPTIC.....4,552 Gross Tons.....FRIDAY, 13th January, at Noon.

SIBERIA.....11,334.....TUESDAY, 24th January, at Noon.

MONGOLIA.....13,639.....FRIDAY, 2nd February, at Noon.

CHINA.....5,660.....FRIDAY, 17th February, at Noon.

MANCHURIA.....13,439.....TUESDAY, 28th February, at Noon.

DORIC.....4,724.....SATURDAY, 11th March, at Noon.

KOREA.....11,276.....FRIDAY, 24th March, 1905, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. KOREA, 11,276 tons, Oct. 18th-21st, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE P. M. Steamship COPTIC will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, 13th January, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

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Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland and Railway, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

E. W. TILDEN, Agent.

Hongkong, January 6, 1905.

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY, STRAITS AND RANGOON.

THE Company's Steamship PURNA, Captain PRABHU, will be despatched as follows:

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 4, 1905.

THE AMERICAN AND ORIENTAL LINE.

FOR NEW-YORK.

THE Steamship CROYDON, will be despatched for the above port on about SATURDAY, the 14th instant.

For Freight, apply to ARNOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 5, 1905.

SHIRE LINE STEAMSHIP CO.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship DENBIGHSHIRE, Captain W. A. EVANS, will be despatched for the above ports on or about SATURDAY, 14th January.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES CO., Agents.

Hongkong, January 6, 1905.

MESSAGERIES.

MARITIMES.

FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, LONDON.

HAVER, BORDAUX, MEDITERRANEAN, AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

THE Steamship DUMBEA, Captain R. A. FERRIS, carrying the M. ject's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 14th January, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports in connection with the Company's s.s. *Himalaya*, 6,398 tons, from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement), will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. *Rgypt*, due in London on the 25th February, 1905.

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For further Particulars, apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, January 3, 1905.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

With Liberty to Call at Malabar Co.

Proposed SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

STEAMERS.....TO SAIL.....1905.

GHAZEE.....About Jan. 21.

SATSUMA.....About Feb. 5.

For Freight and further information, Apply to DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, January 4, 1905.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

With Liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.

S.S. RAS ISMA.....About 30th Jan., 1905.

For Freight and further information, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, January 7, 1905.

Shipping.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship CATHERINE APOAR, Captain A. BERNARD, will be despatched for the above Ports on about WEDNESDAY, the 11th inst., at 8 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to D. SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, January 6, 1905.

FOR NEW YORK.

With Liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.

THE Steamship SENROA, will sail for New York from Hongkong on or about 25th January, 1905.

Intimations.

MIYAKO HOTEL,
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A NEW AND STRICTLY FIRST-CLASS HOTEL.

DELIGHTFULLY Situated. Decorated and Appointed with Latest Approvements. Home-like and Comfortable. Clean and Quiet.

BEAUTIFUL VIEWS, AND WALKS.

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December 5, 1904.

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NAKANOSHIMA PARK,
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THIS HOTEL, which faces the River on Three Sides, is the only one in OSAKA Catering for Foreigners.

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R. EARI, Manager.

December 5, 1904.

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Hongkong, December 8, 1904.

Intimations.

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A. S. MIHARA, Manager.

Hongkong, May 20, 1904.

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Hongkong, April 28, 1904.

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The Accumulated Funds of the Fire and Life Departments are free from liability in respect of each other.

Hongkong, June 18, 1904.

FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE CO.

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

STATEMENT TO 31st DECEMBER, 1903.

ASSETS, GOLD, \$5,858,920.37. NET SURPLUS, GOLD, \$2,166,118.80. INCOME, GOLD, \$3,470,787.53.

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Hongkong, March 23, 1904.

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To Let.

2 NEW HOUSES, To Let, in CASTLE ROAD. Apply to SAM WANG & CO., LD., 81, Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, October 23, 1904.

To Let.

NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE. The Peak. Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, March 26, 1904.

To Let.

ONE ROOM on the First Floor of ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS. Apply to SECRETARY, A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited. Hongkong, December 10, 1904.

To Let.

GODOWN NO. 3, NEW PRATA, Kennedy Town. Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, November 21, 1904.

To Let.

ONE BEDROOM furnished, with Board, with Private Family. Apply to 'E. T.' Care of 'CHINA MAIL' Office. Hongkong, December 27, 1904.

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To Let.

A T East Point, a New BRICK-BUILT 2-STORYED GODOWN with Water Frontage. Apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. Hongkong, November 25, 1904.

To Let.

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L EWNOR MOUNTGOMERY, Peak, from February 1st or earlier, if desired. Well Furnished. Less than 15 minutes from Plantation Road Tram Station. Apply to M. W. SLADE, 64, Queen's Road. Hongkong, January 4, 1905.

To Let.

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S. SHIGENAGA, Manager.

Hongkong, February 2, 1904.

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TAKEO TAKAMICHI, Manager.

Hongkong, November 7, 1904.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital, \$10,000,000. Reserve Fund, \$10,000,000. Sterling Reserve, \$10,000,000. Silver Reserve, \$7,000,000. RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS, \$10,000,000.

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HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 PER CENT. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager. Hongkong, May 1, 1900.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853. HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP, £2,000,000. RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS, £2,000,000. RESERVE FUND, £2,000,000.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 1/2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance. On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum. For 6 months 4 per cent. per annum. For 3 months 3 1/2 per cent. per annum. T. P. COCHRANE, Manager. Hongkong, May 21, 1904.

THE MERCHANTS BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £1,500,000. SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £1,125,000. PAID-UP CAPITAL, £562,500. RESERVE FUND, £562,500.

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED. INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 1/2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance. On Fixed Deposits: For 12 Months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum. For 6 Months 4 per cent. per annum. For 3 Months 3 1/2 per cent. per annum. EVAN ARMISTON, Manager. Hongkong, May 14, 1904.

Banks.

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE ON THE 12th NOVEMBER, 1898.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, Tls. 5,000,000. PAID-UP CAPITAL, Tls. 2,500,000.

HEAD OFFICE:—SHANGHAI. BRANCHES AND AGENCIES: CANTON, CHEFOO, HANKOW, PEKING.

THE BANK PURCHASES and receives for Collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH. Advances made on approved securities. Bills Discounted. Interest allowed on Current Accounts at the Rate 3% per annum on the Daily Balance. On Fixed Deposits for 3 Months 3 1/2 per cent. per annum. For 6 Months 4 per cent. per annum. For 12 Months 5 per cent. per annum. H. W. RUTTER, Manager. Hongkong, January 6, 1905.

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

FISCAL AGENTS FOR THE UNITED STATES IN CHINA AND THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS: AUTHORIZED, Gold \$10,000,000. PAID-UP, Gold \$3,947,200. RESERVE FUND, Gold \$3,947,200.

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BRANCHES & AGENTS ALL OVER THE WORLD. THE Corporation Transacts every description of Banking and Exchange business, receives money in Current Account and accepts Fixed Deposit at rates which may be ascertained on application.

20, DES VOEUX ROAD, HONGKONG.

CHARLES R. SCOTT, Manager. Hongkong, January 3, 1905.

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